



GROW
your business

EXPAND
your network

INCREASE
your capacity

The MBDA Business Center - Chicago is funded by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) and is operated by the Chicago Minority Supplier Development Council, Inc. (ChicagoMSDC) in partnership with the Illinois Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (IHCC).

The MBDA Business Center - Chicago seeks to develop alliances with local, state, and federal government agencies, major corporations, banks, financial resources and the minority business community to create larger, more strategic minority entrepreneurs.

FINANCING

We evaluate and assist MBEs in pursuit of traditional debt financing, equity funding or alternative capital access resources. We serve as a liaison to financial institutions on behalf of MBEs seeking financial assistance and provide loan packaging and placement assistance for purchases, refinancing, lines of credit, factoring, and SBA lending.

BONDING ASSISTANCE

We have a large network of bonding resources to meet your bonding needs. We work with companies that can meet every bonding need.

MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS

Companies facing mergers or acquisitions may benefit from the oversight of our M&A committee comprised of pre-qualified minority owned businesses and investor groups. It

has been designed to initiate and support growth strategies for MBEs with specialized services and business opportunities.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Industry leaders conduct workshops and seminars designed to teach minority entrepreneurs how to take their businesses to the next level.

NETWORKING

The MBDA Business Center - Chicago coordinates bid and outreach conferences for construction projects and organizes industry specific roundtables to promote MBE marketplace expansion to broaden their reach and grow their business.

PROCUREMENT

We facilitate access to our member corporations and Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) to increase their contracting opportunities and **diversify their supplier base. Most of America's most successful MBEs are counted among NMSDC's 16,000 minority owned businesses.**

MINORITY CERTIFICATION

ChicagoMSDC's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) certification is nationally acclaimed and accepted at Fortune 500 corporations, State of Illinois, Cook County, Chicago Park District, City Colleges of Chicago, and the Metropolitan Pier & Exposition Authority. We have reciprocal agreements with NMSDC Affiliated Councils, Metra, City of Chicago and CMS. Our certification experts can also assist with applications from other agencies.

ACCESS TO GOVWIN

Enjoy complimentary access to the largest source of government contracting information and analysis in the world! Over \$200 billion in government spending goes to its members each year. More than \$1.4 trillion in federal opportunities; More than \$75 billion in state and local opportunities; In-depth profiles on 79 federal agencies, all 50 states, D.C., and 67,000 local governments; Find 1.7 million government contacts, including program managers, contracting officials and senior executives; Analysis on 490,000+ federal prime contractors and a directory of 824,000+ small businesses; Over \$159 billion in federal task order spending on more than 171 top programs.

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INSTITUTIONAL INVESTMENT SERVICES GROUP

The Institutional Investment Services Forum meets quarterly to discuss issues and opportunities that touch investment services providers and the corporate and public funds investing with them. This is a forum designed by and for minority owned investment managers and broker dealers to join consultants, financial officers, and other professionals.

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY GROUP

The Construction Industry Group brings representatives from public and private sector organizations with active construction programs together with large prime contractors and MBE subcontractors for the purpose of addressing issues related to developing more opportunities for MBE contractors. Some of our activities include:

- Being a resource for public sector and private sector contracting opportunities;
- Networking events;
- Developing an MBE vetting process to help primes identify strong subcontractors;
- Addressing the training needs of MBEs and prime contractors.

IT INDUSTRY GROUP

The purpose of this group is to facilitate access to larger corporate and government opportunities by partnering with other MBEs and larger minority IT companies.

HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY GROUP

The purpose of this group is to better understand the needs and challenges in the Healthcare Industry and facilitate the access to better and larger opportunities, as well as building relationships with Group Purchasing Organizations (GPOs).

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